

# Charley Street Will Resume His Regular Turn in Catching for Remainder of Season

## STREET WILL REJOIN WASHINGTON STAFF

McAleer Orders Him to Report in Philadelphia—Beckendorf's Downfall Long Coming—Cunningham Makes Good Impression in Field.

By THOMAS S. RICE.

As predicted in The Times yesterday afternoon in its exclusive announcement of the letting go of Heinie Beckendorf for the remainder of this season, Manager McAleer will put him to work behind the bat for Washington.

Street's presence should be a big help to the whole team. He is acknowledged to be one of the best catchers in the game today, and all the pitchers work with more confidence when he is on the receiving end. Street is not a heavy hitter, but is a more reliable batter than Beckendorf, who had recently lost his knack of making timely raps. Street should also be of service in coaching and developing Almsmith, who has much to learn of the ways of the great world around us, and is not likely to receive especially valuable advice from John Henry, who is as yet a mere child of a child in major circles.

Johnson and Street. A sure-enough battery.

Beckendorf's downfall as a member of the Washington team probably began on September 2, when, in an emergency, he had gone to the plate and was then recalled to the bench to let Almsmith bat for him. The resentment Beckendorf showed right there because McAleer thought more of the team's chances of winning than of the tender sensibilities of his catcher, greatly displeased the crowd. It was one of the rawest tricks ever pulled off here, and the fans felt that Beckendorf was pretty nearly over. This feeling was strengthened by the really miserable exhibitions furnished by Beckendorf in the following games he caught before the team went on the road. The climax was capped by his hum showing in holding Johnson in Monday of this week. There was a growing impression that Beckendorf was not trying his best, and that the ball place for him is in new surroundings.

Street is expected to report to McAleer in Philadelphia today.

The Detroit Tigers yesterday continued the noble work of beating the life out of the Cleveland club, and the Washington was on the skids in Philadelphia. We don't know what we would do without those Tigers to help us along, and the fans here might send a medal to every member of Jennings' company. Washington meets Philadelphia again today, and, while that horrid strike is in progress, the fans will expect every Tiger to do his duty in walloping the stuffing out of the Naps.

We need a couple of outfielders.

Cunningham, the New England League's star second sacker, reported to McAleer in Philadelphia yesterday, and was at once tried out at present station. The Philadelphia writers are a unit in praising his work and declaring that he looks a corner. He did not get a hit, but was very busy in the field, and took part in one of two exceptionally fast plays. He ought to make good. Disappointment that has broken into the league this year, for no other player has been more highly touted by all sorts of critics than has Cunningham.

Ralston was given another chance in left field. He got a hit on a smash at Coombs' hard to handle. He has a gratifying way of swinging at the ball as if it belonged to a rival lodge.

Richmond, Va., is trying to break into the Eastern League, taking the place of Montreal, and it may yet land a berth in that club. Richmond is presently dominating the Virginia State League to such an extent that it interferes with the other teams. Richmond has a league schedule that has broken into the suit itself, having all Saturday and holiday dates wrong on its home lot. The claim is made that that section who make more by playing before large crowds in Richmond on Saturday than they would make at home. This is all right as far as it goes, but the fans in the other cities become exceedingly vexed over the preference shown Richmond.

## ELGIN AUTO RACES BOOM WINTER SHOW

Plans Discussed By Men Gathered to Witness the Events.

By HARRY WARD.

It is the belief of many well-posted men that the recent national road races at Elgin did more to demonstrate the merits of the cars and drivers. The races were the means of bringing automobile men together as at a show, and plans for the winter's activities were discussed and given an impetus. It was declared the outlook for this winter is good, and that the annual shows will be more attractive than ever before.

The contest season is waning, and the mind and activities of the trade men turn to the indoor exhibitions. On all sides the opinion prevails that this will be a great year for shows. One big problem must be solved—that of securing buildings large enough to properly display the many new models to advantage.

There has been some discussion relative to an outdoor auto show, and although there are arguments in favor of it, the general opinion is that such a show would not be an unmeasured success. It is pointed out that during the winter months the automobile show affords an avenue through which the attention of the public can be directed and sustained in the motor car.

Paul Smith, assistant sales manager of the E-M-F Company, is the city for a day or two looking over affairs of the company. While here he leased a warehouse to take care of cars for branch, which includes the territory embraced in the Eastern Shore of Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina. Mr. Smith recently spent some time in the South, and he states the South and Southeast sections of the country are coming to the front in great shape as automobile buyers.

## Club Standings and Possibilities

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

#### Yesterday's Results

Philadelphia, 6; Washington, 0.  
Detroit, 5; Cleveland, 1.  
Boston, 4; New York, 0.  
Boston, 6; New York, 2.  
St. Louis-Chicago-Rain.

#### Today's Games

Washington at Philadelphia.  
Cleveland at Detroit.  
New York at Boston.  
St. Louis at Chicago.

#### Standing of the Clubs

	W.	L.	Pct.	Today's
Philadelphia	29	49	.368	587
Boston	22	52	.298	578
New York	22	52	.298	578
Detroit	22	52	.298	578
Washington	22	52	.298	578
Cleveland	22	52	.298	578
Chicago	22	52	.298	578
St. Louis	22	52	.298	578

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

#### Yesterday's Results

Cincinnati, 4; Pittsburgh, 0.  
Philadelphia, 3; Brooklyn, 0.

#### Today's Games

Pittsburgh at New York.

#### Standing of the Clubs

	W.	L.	Pct.	Today's
Chicago	25	29	.464	580
Pittsburgh	25	29	.464	580
New York	25	29	.464	580
Philadelphia	25	29	.464	580
Cincinnati	25	29	.464	580
St. Louis	25	29	.464	580
Brooklyn	25	29	.464	580
Boston	25	29	.464	580

mond, even if the preference is justified by financial receipts. Every winter sharpens his axe and puts on his war paint preparatory to demolishing Richmond and the inhabitants thereof in baseball matters.

It is a religious duty with them to make this had medicine for Richmond, and tell the public into exactly how many sections they are going to saw the Richmond carcass. And it is equally a religious duty for them to attend the annual meeting, blow off steam, and let Richmond have everything it asks, which is invariably everything it can see between the ranges of vision of a high-power microscope and a long-distance telescope. If it carelessly overlooks anything at the winter gatherings, the matter is obligingly rectified at another assembly of the magnates, as Richmond happens to dignify its want by calling a meeting instead of just taking it.

Richmond should draw as well as some other towns in the Eastern League.

Washington has apparently struck something of a batting slump in the last week, but it should be remembered that it has been going against the strongest pitchers in the league. Morgan and Coombs are two of the season's genuine phenoms, while the two best hurlers at New York were mostly of top-notch caliber, earnest young men who are receiving large wages for holding other string athletes to a very few hits per game. Better times should follow when the team takes to the West, for there is scarcely a pitcher in that section who has a right to throw out his chest and count his game with Washington as won before it is played. Harry White was the last of the professional Washington hoodlums in the West, and he has now been tamed.

## BOER GIANT FOUND TO FIGHT JOHNSON

South African Sprinter, Walker, to Groom Coming Champion.

LONDON, Sept. 12.—Hugh D. McIntosh is not going to have it all his own way in the world search for a white champion to snatch the laurels from Jack Johnson. Mac's rival is coming from the most unexpected source. It is none other than Reggie Walker, the South African sprinter, who took Rector, Kerr, and Cartmell into camp in the spirit for the Olympic championships.

Walker is sending for John Storbeck to come to England from his South African farm. Storbeck is a young Boer farmer, who came over to England last spring and won the English amateur championship in a few punches. Storbeck, who is twenty-one, stands fully five feet, six inches, and weighs, when fit, about 216 pounds. He is a game, hard-hitting fighter, and with some experience may make trouble for the white men who have designs on Johnson.

When Jimmy Britt was in South Africa last winter he saw Storbeck box on several occasions and on returning to England informed his friends that if they sent the big Boer up for the championships he would win them in a walk.

search for a white man is going to prove some harrowing game, and more than a reputation is going to be blasted before success has perched upon the banner of the knight-errant. The opening of McIntosh's campaign in London will be signalled by one of the gatherings every weekend around an English ringside. If Bom-badier Wells proves to be the winner over Sergeant Soudine he will be sent right against the rest of them.

### STARTER TAKES TRIP.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Jerome Welsh, one of Starter Mars Cassidy's assistants, will leave for a trip to England and Ireland in a fortnight. Some years ago Jerry was an accomplished cross-country rider on the Irish courses.

He Has Been Retired for Remainder of This Season



HEINIE BECKENDORF, Washington Catcher, Whom Manager McAleer Has Turned Loose.

## WASHINGTON LOSES TO ATHLETICS 6-0

Coombs Pitches in Masterful Style and Receives Splendid Support.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 12.—Washington had absolutely no chance against the Athletics with Jack Coombs in the box yesterday, and a shut-out was witnessed by the 6,500 spectators. The Athletics scored four runs in "Doc" Reislind in the first four innings and added two more on Otey, a young left-hander who took Reislind's place in the fifth.

Only two Washington men saw second base and two of the four hits made off Coombs were scratches—in fact, one of them was a gift from the umpire, who called Ralston safe in the ninth, though he reached the bench and when he came to bat Eddie Collins made one of the greatest plays ever credited to a second baseman when he stopped Gessler's hit in the seventh and threw his man out at first. It would have been a base hit 89 times out of 100, but Eddie kept after it, going at full speed toward first and was then forced to turn himself around to make the throw to Davis. Every one of the spectators appreciated Collins' wonderful play, and he received an ovation, the applause lasting until he reached the bench, and when he came to bat Eddie was given another great hand. Following Collins' great play Baker made a brilliant running catch of a foul fly from McBride. Baker's work at third was superb, and his record was only spoiled a bit when Frank made a wild throw after a splendid stop on Unglaub in the fifth.

Washington tried three new men in yesterday's game. Cunningham, a second baseman, made one clever stop on Murphy in the fourth inning, but he had also made a two-base error in the previous inning. Ralston, a new outfielder, got into the game in the sixth inning, taking the place of Otey. Otey, a young southpaw, worked four innings and held the Athletics to three hits.

The Athletics rolled up a lead of three runs in the third on Cunningham's two-base wild throw on Lapp, singles by Coombs and Hartzel, a fumble in center by Milan, a wild pitch, and Lord's out. One more run was added in the fourth on Baker's single, Davis' sacrifice, Murphy's out, and Barry's single to left.

Young Otey passed Davis in the sixth, then made a wild pitch, and Lapp drove home the run with a single to center. Lord's hit in the seventh got through Milan, and "Bris" reached second. Baker's single to right sent Lord home with the sixth run of the game.

The score:  
Washington, 0; Athletics, 6.  
AB. R. H. P. O. A. E.  
Milan, cf., 4 0 1 0 0 0 0  
Cunningham, 2b., 2 0 0 0 3 2 0  
Conroy, lf., 4 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Ralston, rf., 4 0 0 0 1 1 0  
Gessler, cf., 4 0 0 0 0 0 0  
McBride, ss., 4 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Elderfeld, 3b., 4 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Unglaub, lb., 3 0 0 0 3 0 0  
Almsmith, c., 3 0 0 0 3 0 0  
Reislind, p., 1 0 0 0 2 0 0  
Otey, p., 2 0 1 2 1 0 0

Totals.....30 0 4 24 14 3  
Philadelphia.....6 2 1 0 0 1 1 0 5 6  
Washington.....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Left on bases—Washington, 5; Philadelphia, 4. Bases on balls—Otey, 2; by Coombs, 2. Struck out—By Otey, 2; by Coombs, 5. Two-base hits—Milan, Lapp, and Davis. Sacrifices—Davis, Otey, and Coombs to Baker to Davis. Hit by pitcher—By Coombs, 1. Wild pitch—By Reislind, 1. By Otey, 1. Umpires—Coffinower and O'Loughlin. Time of game—1 hour and 45 minutes.

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## HEYDLER PRAISING AMATEUR MATERIAL

National League Secretary Thinks Present-Day Youngsters Have Better Baseball Chance Than Those of Past—Himself a Player.

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John A. Heydler, secretary of the National League, says that the amateur of today has better chances of making a berth in the big show than the amateur of years ago, and that the amateur should know. He has been an amateur and he has worked hard. His experience in baseball is very interesting, and his trials and tribulations were just as numerous as confront the inexperienced players and managers of young clubs today.

Playing Greatly Improved. "The trouble with the American public today," said he, "is that they don't half appreciate the work of the younger generation. The interest in amateur baseball today is one hundred per cent greater than it was fifteen years ago. When I first began to follow baseball in my early youth the newspapers looked on baseball and some other sports as hardly worth while.

"When I was a youngster I wrote scores of stories for newspapers about both amateur and professional games."

Mr. Heydler likes to play as well as he enjoys watching a game, but he says that the young fellows of today are much different than they were in the past. The curves of the pitchers are the most puzzling proposition. Until a year ago Mr. Heydler often played ball with the youngsters at Far Rockaway, where he resides in the summer months, but this year he finds them a little too fast and has taken up the game of golf. Once a week he treks down to Garden City, and he says that the game is great for an older person who has limited time for exercise.

John Is a Player. The bustling secretary of baseball's oldest organization, before he advanced to his present position, was often called upon by professional clubs to work on the official averages. For years he trained himself in the art of scoring games, and finally, when there came a need for his services in a professional capacity, he was ready for the task.

There are stories told about Mr. Heydler that when he was a youngster he was an excellent fielder, but weak with the bat. When questioned on this subject Mr. Heydler frankly admitted that he was a mighty poor batter, and said that his fielding wasn't any better than that of several others. He did say that he liked to field and throw a base-

ball, and in his younger days had a good "whip."

### Hit One-Armed Pitcher.

He related an incident in Baltimore when newspapers were first experimenting with linotype machines. Several of the operators were college men who had played ball, and one Saturday a game was arranged between two companies. He had taken his bat bag from Washington, where he was living, and, of course, was one of the players.

The pitcher on the opposing team was a one-armed youth with a bundle of speed. John slammed the speedy slants at the pitcher for three home runs that afternoon, once driving the ball over the roof of a house in the outfield. While he was very much surprised at getting three home runs, when previously he had been a weak hitter, Mr. Heydler says that he didn't think much of the matter.

### Couldn't Come Back.

On the following week a return game was arranged, and when he came to bat all the kids along the side lines beat it back several feet, fearing a hard rap with one of his smashes. On that day he took long slashes at the air every time that he came to bat, and every one was astonished. Mr. Heydler says that he knew it was a mistake to make three home runs on the Saturday previous.

He has a busy time of it now keeping the averages of the National League, but he still has an interest in the amateur players, and his advice to them is to plug along, because some day they will reach their goal. He thinks that a world's series between amateur teams on the circuits of the National and American Leagues could be undertaken with success both financially and otherwise, although several years ago such a series was practically doomed a failure.

## REITER TO COACH LEHIGH SQUAD

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, Pa., Sept. 13. With the arrival today of Lehigh's new football coach, H. H. Reiter, practice began. There were a dozen old men in togs, among them being Black, Reese, Reinhard, Hartz, Donaldson and Cy. Bowman, Roush, Smoth, Sosnowski, and Downs subs, also responded.

Coach Reiter spent some time in going over the new rules and giving the men work on forward pass formations. The outlook for new material is an unknown quantity as yet and will probably be until school opens next week. The graduation of Captain Treat and the leaving college of Street, Martin and Kitchell will leave important vacancies to be filled.

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